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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS
President John W. Nicklow Ph.D., PE, PH, DWRE
The University of New Orleans

HONORARY SPEAKER
Mark C. Romig
VP and CMO, New Orleans & Company
Bachelor of Science, Hotel, Restaurant, and
Tourism Administration, '78

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

READING OF THE GRADUATES

ALUMNI ADDRESS
Ronnie Slone, President, The Slone Group
Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, '06

University of New Orleans Mission Statement

The University of New Orleans is a comprehensive urban research university committed to providing educational excellence to a diverse undergraduate and graduate student body. The University is one of the region's foremost public resources, offering a variety of world-class, research-based programs, advancing shared knowledge and adding to the region's industry, culture and economy. The University of New Orleans, as a global community asset, serves national and international students and enhances the quality of life in New Orleans, the state, the nation, and the world, by participating in a broad array of research, service learning, cultural and academic activities.

Letter from the President

Dear Graduates,
This is a truly momentous occasion, and I am confident that you will remember this milestone for the rest of your life. It is my honor to participate in the celebration of your success. The fact that you have managed to persevere during a global pandemic and the impacts of multiple hurricanes shows your determination. That signals to me that you are unstoppable. In spite of these hardships, I hope that you will cherish your time spent at the University of New Orleans and the deep connection that you have forged with your alma mater. That bond is now stronger than ever. Please know that we, the entire University of New Orleans community, are immensely proud of your accomplishments. Each degree earned represents years of determination by a graduate who persisted, regardless of academic challenges, financial obstacles, work obligations or family responsibilities. Much like the city of New Orleans, our students just won't quit.

Fortunately, your relationship with the University does not end today. We are here to support our alumni in any way possible, and I hope that you will continue to engage with us. While you may feel as though you have concluded your education, the truth is we are never finished learning. A lifelong pursuit of knowledge is endlessly fascinating and fulfilling. If we can be part of your future educational pursuits, whether it be a second degree or graduate education, please let us know.

My aspiration is for you to achieve success—however you define it, to find your passion in your life and in your career, and for you to do what you can to make our world a better place. The journey you have shared with others at the University of New Orleans is the foundation for the next phase of your life. You have now earned a degree that can take you as far as you are willing to go. I offer you my heartfelt congratulations.

Dr. John Nicklow, *President*
The University of New Orleans

Commencement Speaker Mark Romig

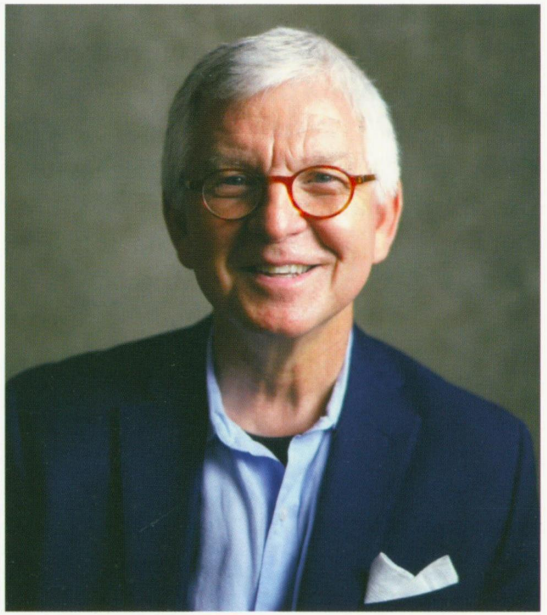
A native New Orleanian, Mark Romig is the senior vice president and chief marketing officer of New Orleans & Company, the New Orleans tourism industry's destination marketing and sales organization.

His public relations career has spanned more than four decades and has taken him from teaching in college classrooms to the 1984 Louisiana World's Fair, from working as a staff assistant to U.S. Dept. of Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole during President Ronald Reagan's administration, and the 1987-88 presidential campaign of U.S. Senator Bob Dole, to corporate and nonprofit public relations and marketing counseling.

In 2013 Romig became the stadium announcer for the NFL's New Orleans Saints in the Louisiana Superdome, succeeding his father, Jerry, who served in the same role for 446 consecutive Saints home games over 44 years.

Among his community activities, Romig is vice-chair of the board for the Fore!Kids Foundation, which produces the annual PGA Tour event at the TPC of Louisiana, and vice-chair of the board for WYES-TV. He is also on the board of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, the UNO Foundation, Fidelity Bank, and the Advisory Board for the Louisiana Hospitality Foundation. In addition, he serves on the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta's Travel and Tourism Advisory Council.

Romig earned a bachelor's degree in hotel, restaurant and tourism administration from the University of New Orleans in 1978. In 2016, he was the recipient of the University's Homer L. Hitt Distinguished Alumni Award.



Where We're From!

States

Fall and Summer 2022 graduating classes come from Louisiana and the following 27 U.S. states and territories:

Alabama
California
Colorado
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Kansas
Massachusetts
Maryland
Minnesota
Missouri
Mississippi
North Carolina
North Dakota
Nebraska
New Hampshire
Nevada
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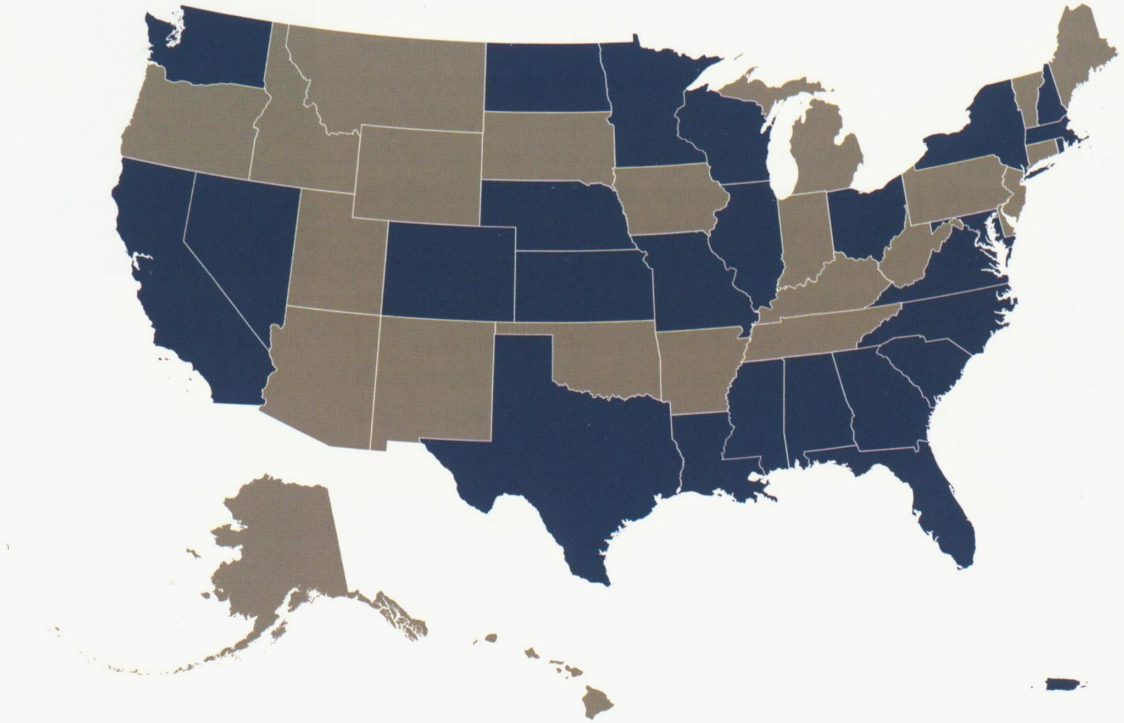
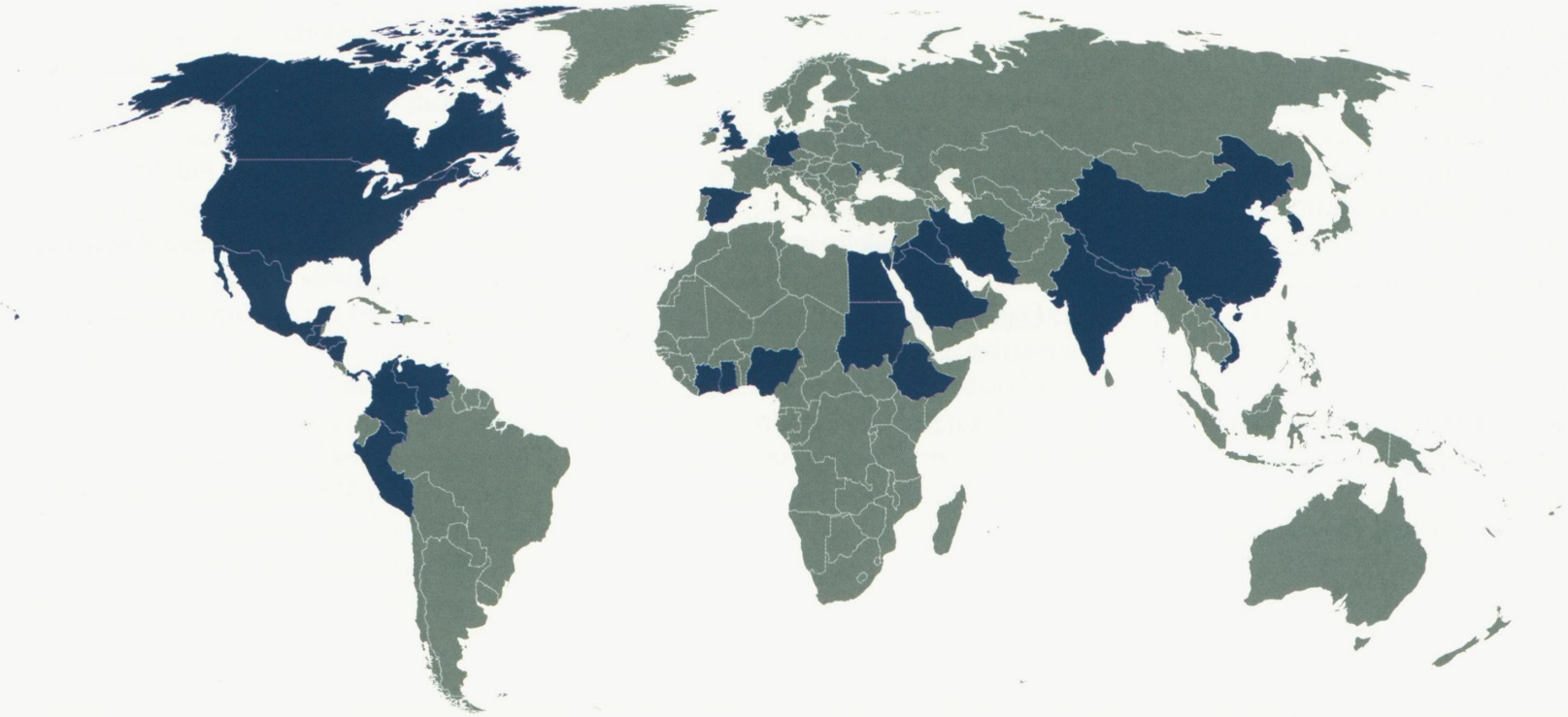


Countries

Fall and Summer 2022 graduating classes come from the following 33 areas abroad:

Bangladesh
Canada
China
Colombia
Egypt
El Salvador
Ethiopia
Germany
Ghana
Guatemala
Haiti
Honduras
India
Iran
Iraq
Ivory Coast
Jordan
Lebanon
Mexico
Moldova
Nepal
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Palestine
Panama
Peru
Saudi Arabia
South Korea
Spain
Sudan
United Kingdom
Venezuela
Vietnam



Doctor of Philosophy Degrees

College of Business Administration

Rumpa Biswas* *Financial Economics*
Dissertation: Two Essays in Finance: Effect of Economic Policy Uncertainty on Analyst Forecast Accuracy; Dividend Policies of Zero-Debt Firms – A Behavioral Explanation
Major Professor: Tarun Mukherjee

Dr. Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering

Ramy Anwar Ibrahim Abdelmaksoud*
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Investigation of Innovative Means to Enhance Mist Cooling in Gas Turbines
Major Professor: Ting Wang

Bhupendra Acharya
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Analyzing the Robustness of Prevalent Social Engineering Defense Mechanisms
Major Professor: Krishna Phani Kumar Vadrevu

Laith Qasem Alshamaileh
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Shear Stress of Erosion and Deposition Potential of Cohesive Sediments in Louisiana's Coastline: A Study of Laboratory, Field, and Numerical Sediment Transport Modeling
Major Professor: Satish Bastola

Kendal McCain Leftwich‡
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Denoising and Deconvolving Sperm Whale Data in the Northern Gulf of Mexico Using Fourier and Wavelet Techniques
Major Professor: Juliette Ioup

Yi Li *Engineering & Applied Science*
Dissertation: Experimental Tests and Numerical Study of Trajectories of Different Types of Dropped Objects
Major Professor: Vincent Xiaochuan Yu & Damon Smith

Pujan Pokhrel*
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Ocean Wave Prediction and Characterization for Intelligent Maritime Transportation
Major Professor: Mahdi Abdelguerfi

Bikrant Poudel
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Machine Learning Based Design Methodology for Electric Machines
Major Professor: Ebrahim Amiri

Mohammad Khairul Habib Pulok*
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Aerodynamics and Vibrations of a Helicopter Rotor Blade
Major Professor: Uttam Kumar Chakravarty

Naw Safrin Sattar*
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Parallel Algorithms for Scalable Graph Mining: Applications on Big Data and Machine Learning
Major Professor: Shaikh Arifuzzaman

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Nauman Zubair
Engineering & Applied Science
Dissertation: Digital Forensics for Investigating Control-logic Attacks in Industrial Control Systems
Major Professor: Hyunguk Yoo

College of Liberal Arts, Education and Human Development

Lauren B Clark* *Counselor Education*
Dissertation: The Development of the Interdisciplinary School Violence Prevention Assessment (ISVPA): Exploratory Findings of a Pilot Study
Major Professor: Roxane Dufrene

Jonathan B Clemmons*
Educational Administration
Dissertation: Internal Communication within an Institution of Higher Education During the COVID-19 Crisis: A Case Study
Major Professor: Christopher Broadhurst

Earniesha Sherell Lott *Counselor Education*
Dissertation: Advocacy Experiences of Licensed Professional Counselors Who Serve Minor Survivors of Abuse and Neglect
Major Professor: Christopher Belser

Sharon Latten Clark
Educational Administration
Dissertation: Charter School Leaders' Perceptions of School Autonomy
Major Professor: Brian Beabout

Bennetta Horne* *Educational Administration*
Dissertation: A Quantitative Study on the Predictive Ability of MCAT Scores on the Pre-Clinical Grade Point Averages of Black Medical Students
Major Professor: Christopher Broadhurst

Sabrina Elizabeth Pence
Educational Administration
Dissertation: Teachers' Perceptions of Their Roles in Blended Learning Environments
Major Professor: Brian Beabout

Gabrielle Pollock *Educational Administration*
Dissertation: A Phenomenological Study of Principals' Perceptions of Instructional Leadership in the Context of Mandated Teacher Evaluation
Major Professor: Brian Beabout

Maryam Izadi *Urban Studies*
Dissertation: Travel Behavior Change and Economic Transition in Gentrified Neighborhoods
Major Professor: Bethany Stich & Guang Tian

College of Sciences

Courtney Hymel Babin* *Integrative Biology*
Dissertation: Chromosome Number Evolution, Phylogeography, and the Effects of Climate Change on Species Distributions in Polyploid Plant Systems
Major Professor: Charles Bell

Chaka Nacaya Brown *Chemistry*
Dissertation: Tools for Predicting the Emulsion Stability of Crude Oil Exposed to Sunlight: Impact of Photoproduced Carboxylic Acids on Emulsification Capacity
Major Professor: Matthew A Tarr

Md Shahidul Islam Khan* *Chemistry*
Dissertation: Synthesis, Derivatives, and Applications of Structured Nanomaterials
Major Professor: John Wiley

Doctor of Philosophy Degrees

Michael Raphael Shabetai *Chemistry*
Dissertation: Synthesis and Electrochemical Characterization of Alkali Metal Borides as Redox Active Anion Frameworks
Major Professor: Viktor Poltavets

Jamie Rebecca Marks *Integrative Biology*
Dissertation: Environmental Sensitivity of Maternal and Offspring Phenotype in the Green Anole (Anolis Carolinesis) Lizard
Major Professor: Simon Lailvaux

Patricia Pepper Peterson* *Integrative Biology*
Dissertation: Characterization of Sch9D Suppressor Mutations and the Role of Sch9 in Nitrogen Catabolite Repression in Saccharomyces Cerevisiae
Major Professor: Zhengchang Liu

Master's Degrees

College of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration

Andre Bienvenu
Darren Bodet
Marion Brisco
Brooke Brumfield*
Adam Bruzeau
Aaron Carroll
Wesley Chambers
Megan Clay
Corinne Dabezies*
Anthony Davis
Hunter Davis*
Carl Davis Jr
Darcey Delatte
Anna Dohmen*
Edward Emerson
Shelley Flick
Alex Fournier
Jonathan Fowler
Remy Garofalo
Keanna Harrell
Brandon Henry
Brayan Hernandez
Amber Izworski
Aareion Jackson
Vanessa James
Christopher Johnson
Manunique Johnson
Samantha Jordan
Robert Lambert III
Erin Leaman
Jazmyne Lemar
Ashley Livaccari
Catherine Lorelli
Othman Majee
Isabella Marciante*
Andrew McIntyre
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Robinson Newman
Wanda Nguyen
Ana Ochoa
Kwinton Ohliger
Hellen Pagoada Mendoza
Miranda Picou
Erika Pillsbury
Annalise Rabito*
Carmen Ramirez
Torey Rayford
Amaury Regnard
Risley Rivere Jr
Jocelyn Roberts
Christina Serpas
Donté Smallwood
Christan Smith
Mia St Martin
Mykeisha Tenner
Miles Tully Jr
Hernaldo Vanegas Jr
Dylan Vidrine
Erica Villarejos
Robert Watts II
Eleanor Wenzel

Master of Science

Nouf Rashed H Al Katheery, *Finance*
Kayla Albarado, *Health Care Management*
Hiba Aldosari, *Finance*
Abdulaziz Fahad H Alhaddab, *Finance*
Mohammed Alharbi, *Finance*
Yazeed Almoaheem, *Finance*
Abdullah Alshehri, *Finance*
Feryal Awan*, *Health Care Management*
Abby Bender, *Finance*
Brady Bennett*, *Finance*
Sattam Bin Kowibeen, *Finance*
Devin Boyd, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Amber Brondum, *Accounting*
Ashley Brumfield, *Health Care Management*
Taylor Cole, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
James Conditt, *Finance*
Heather Evans, *Finance*
Elijah Feibelman, *Finance*
Marissa Frazier, *Finance*
Eric Gauthier, *Finance*
Majid Hamzah, *Health Care Management*
David Hodgson, *Finance*
Ashley Horton, *Health Care Management*
Kaleb Hull, *Accounting*
Alexandra Hunter*, *Accounting*
Aura Infante, *Finance*
Tami Jackson*, *Health Care Management*
Brandon Jones, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Keanna Keller-Theriot, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
William King, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Koffi Konan, *Finance*
Eloria LeBlanc*, *Accounting*
Tyler Manuel, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Keith Meier Jr, *Finance*
Ralph Miles, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Christine Mongrue, *Tax Accounting*
Trang Nguyen*, *Accounting*
Eurielle Niamke, *Finance*
Elizabeth Pansano, *Accounting*
Brandi Payton, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Andrew Pitari, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Bhagyashree Rane*, *Health Care Management*
Hagan Reed*, *Accounting*
Stephen Stein, *Health Care Management*
Jacob Stillman, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*

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Taylor Van Ness, *Hospitality & Tourism Management*
Maxine Walsh, *Health Care Management*
Tracy West, *Health Care Management*
Jessica White, *Health Care Management*
Tyria Williams, *Accounting*

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Master of Science in Engineering

Tyler Bastian
Ja'Syon Charles
Pablo Dominguez Flores
Arsany Hanin
Daniel Harrell
Barry Jackson*
Victoria Jaye
Leo Keegan
Jacob Knapp
Viet Le
Gazi Raihan
Henry Worley

Master of Science in Engineering Management

Robert Collins
Thomas Demos*
Wadi Hamed
Damien Jones*
Angele McClain
Brennan Wenck
Adnan Yousuf

College of Liberal Arts, Education and Human Development

Graduate Certificate Disaster Management & Community Resilience

Randi Ezell*

Graduate Certificate Geographic Information Systems

Eva Hillman
Anika Ofori
Tosha Shanableh
Hoang Tao

Master of Arts

Morgan Authement, *Sociology*
Patricia Barney, *Sociology*
Lauren Dolese, *English*
Randi Ezell*, *Sociology*
Jessica Ferlic, *Romance Languages*
Katharine Fuller, *Romance Languages*
Emily Guilliams*, *English*
Ana Haskaj, *Romance Languages*
Christian Hastings, *English*
Monica Ingle, *English*
Austin Jackson, *Romance Languages*
Shelby Jackson, *English*
Megan King*, *English*
Claudette Kirkland, *Sociology*
Robert Napier, *Romance Languages*
Leopoldo Andres Tablante Alcala, *English*
Seth Wilbur, *History*

Master of Arts in Teaching

Taylor Bosarge, *Elementary Education, Grades 1-5*
Kyle Dudley, *Secondary Education 6-12*
Erin Richardson, *Secondary Education, Grades 6-12*

Master of Education

Angela Adler, *Counselor Education*
Megan Batchelor*, *Counselor Education*
Amy Bordelon, *Curriculum & Instruction*
Katherine Carroll, *Counselor Education*
Candice Dazet*, *Higher Education Administration*
Mary Drumgold, *Counselor Education*
Ciera Eugene*, *Higher Education Administration*
Cherlyn Foster*, *Higher Education Administration*
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Wanda Johnson*, *Curriculum & Instruction*
Ashley LeGros, *Counselor Education*
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Victoria Nachman*, *Counselor Education*
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Rebecca Rhode, *Counselor Education*
Tiffany Spears, *Counselor Education*
Lauren Thibault, *Counselor Education*
Madeleine Vosbein, *Counselor Education*
Megan Wilson, *Counselor Education*
Sarah Wolters, *Counselor Education*

Master of Fine Arts

Christina Firl, *Creative Writing*
Henry Goldkamp, *Creative Writing*
Ashlyn Guidry, *Film & Theatre*
Corey Hart, *Film & Theatre*
Laura Johnson, *Creative Writing*
Michael Krall, *Creative Writing*
Lauren Malara, *Creative Writing*
Vanelis Rivera, *Creative Writing*
Leah Scantlen*, *Film & Theatre*
Latoya Simons, *Creative Writing*
Bianca Walker, *Fine Arts*
Nancy Wright, *Creative Writing*

Master of Music

Matthew Chapin
Joshua Hawkins

Master of Public Administration

Alexis Annis
Charles Brown
Shelby Dunbar
Ashley Felan
Britain Forsyth
Elizabeth Kiefer
Korynn Matthew
Elizabeth Maxwell
Melanie Oubre
Tosha Shanableh
Talia Talbot
Katelynn Thibodeaux

Master of Science

Alexandra Cavignac, *Urban Studies*
Abby Coyle-Richards, *Transportation*
Jillian Croci, *Urban Studies*
Zachary Martin, *Urban Studies*

Master of Urban and Regional Planning

Daniel Maldonado Jimenez

College of Sciences

Graduate Certificate Machine Learning & Artificial Intelligence

Sravya Buddharaju
Vishal Gupta
Nayan Howladar*
Deepanshu Kumar
Joshua Pierre

Graduate Certificate Coastal Sciences

Hoang Tao

Master of Science

Sharmin Aktar, *Computer Science*
Michael Annaloro, *Psychology*
Sravya Buddharaju, *Computer Science*
Alexandra Demac, *Psychology*
Vishal Gupta, *Computer Science*
Joseph Hankerson*, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Luis Hasbun Guandique, *Computer Science*
Brett Henry, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Lina Hohnhold*, *Psychology*
Nayan Howladar*, *Computer Science*
Evan Klein, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Susanna Kreinik, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Deepanshu Kumar, *Computer Science*
Aaron Lafont, *Computer Science*

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Master's Degrees

Tharani Maaneeivaannan, *Computer Science*
Oscar Martinez, *Biological Sciences*
Bill Momah, *Computer Science*
Damon Morse, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Raufat Nassar, *Chemistry*
Hoang Nguyen, *Computer Science*
Viet Nguyen, *Computer Science*
Mahfuzul Nissan, *Computer Science*
Xylia Parker, *Chemistry*
Nathaniel Perdue, *Psychology*
Dang Pham, *Computer Science*
Joshua Pierre, *Computer Science*
Lilli Cara Richter*, *Psychology*
Amanda Rowan*, *Psychology*
Md Mohiuddin Sakib, *Earth & Environmental Science*
Krishna Shah, *Computer Science*
Lauren Tra*, *Psychology*
Kennedi Turner*, *Applied Physics*
Symantha Weaver, *Psychology*
Elizabeth Whisenhant, *Chemistry*

Undergraduate Degrees

College of Business Administration

Pamela Kennett-Hensel Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Science

Sanya Abbas
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Hailey Aertker
Heather Alvarez
Jorgeluis Amaya
Ronald Anderson Jr
Thomas Artigas Covacevich◇
Nathan Autry*□
Devin Borne
Madison Boten
Stephanica Bradley□
Joel Brookins
Grace Brown
Endia Buck
Kenneth Bui
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Victoria Capote
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Lindsey Collura*
Katie Corca*
Ross Culotta*
Lauren Cunningham
Herman Dayries III
Aisha DeLoach
Joshua Duhon
Toan-An Duong*
Makeisha Dyson
Joseph Edwards*
Saif Esmail*
Yanet Estrada Garcia
Elliot Ferran
Sean Fogg*
Joshua Foster◇
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Biyon Freeman*
Angelica Gabriel*
Elizabeth Gialanella
Grayson Gilbert
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Dominic Governale*

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Rachel Hayes
William Healy Jr
Christopher Helm◇
Maurice Henton*
Pearce Howard*
Zi Yi Hu*
Emily Huesmann
Stephanie Huffman✧
Ismail Ibrahim
Chaquiana James
Kelsey Johns
Ananecia Johnson
Brandy Johnson*
Jessica Johnson✧
Jenna Jones
Jade Kane*
Mahagony Keen
Dane Keirsey
Grace Keith
Mohammad Khelik*
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Adam Kiesel
Katie Lang
Justin Le*
Tyler Lebeau
Matthew LeCorgne◇
Taylor Legendre◇
Hans Lesperance
Sierra Lewis✧
Nelson Lopez
Shyrionne Love*
Jimmy Ly
Alejandro Machuca
Jennifer Marshall
Jennifer Martinez
Kelly McGowan
Samira Medina*
Karli Mehrtens
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Ajazea Miller
Gerson Miranda
Juan Miranda Lumbi*✧
Jewanne Mitchell
Syed Moosvi
Lilly Moreno*
Jarod Murphy
Tuyet Hong Nguyen*□
Davin Ortego
Stuart Oubre*
Vincent Palisi Jr
Kiara Parker
Olivia Pelias✧
Jenna Pellegrin*◇
Jose Pineda*
Nyah Pittman□
Tiffanie Points
Lindsey Prejean
Hannah Rich
David Roberts Jr
Peniel Robles-Acosta*
Alexander Romanov*
Luz Romero*
Ozzie Ross
Tyler Rudolph
Joshua Ruffin
Gabrielle Ryan*◇
Kolyn Saltzman
Dontierra Sampson*
Teresina Sandino-Reyes□
Alex Schieffler
Kraig Segrave✧
Emily Seiter*
Rasheia Simms*
Savannah Smith
Anna-Maria Spears*
Micah Stone*✧
Jacob Stovall
Kaitlyn Thibodeaux
David Toca□
Casie Tran
Jessica Tran*◇
Thien-Tinh Tran
Jacobe Van Winkle
Harry Vinnett III
Ha-Van Vu

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Annise Watson*
Sydney Welch
Elizabeth Wesley*
Madalyn Williams*
Amber Williams-Green*
Thaddeus Wilson✧
Alexander Wiltz
Shiu Kei Angus Wong
Nicholas Wright□
Qiong Wu
Habib Zahid*□

Dr. Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering

Lizette R. Chevalier, Ph.D, P.E., DWRE, F-ASCE, Dean

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Ashton Bonura
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Daniel D'Aquin
Trung Doan
Austen Dooley*✧
Dylan Gilbert
John Guidry
Abdelhamed Hamed
Mohammad Hamed
Canon Henton
Alexis Hornsby□
Jessica Hughes*
William Knighten*□
MaxAnthony Perrin✧
Will Peters□
Bol Riek
Ashley Robicheaux
Andrey Romanov*
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Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Mary Clements*
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Zachary Ferger*
Luc Huynh✧
Joseph LeFrere
Makaylah LeFrere
Huy Nguyen□
Joel Pielaet*
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Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Malik Alsherees*
William Bradley Jr
Jennifer Bunkley
Cody Cambre*
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Ronald Garay*
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Marvin Kador Jr
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David Nguyen
John Nguyen
Samuel Ojoade*
Russell Perez
Adam Peters
Christian Pottschmidt
Robert Radtke Jr*
Tyler Rau□
Dwayne Shelby Jr*
Alec Snell*□
Phillip Tran
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Bachelor of Science in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering

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College of Liberal Arts, Education and Human Development

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Bachelor of Arts
Sabreen Abu Jaber
Darius Alexander
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Dane Bachman*
Keith Baker
Matthew Barthelemy
Robert Benham
Claire Bergeron□
Lisa Black✧
Caroline Bonin
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Angele Daigrepont*
Christin Davies✧
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Larry Stewart Davis*
Terrell Davis*
Kahla DeCuir*□
Dung Do
Sierra Fields*
Kevin Fisher*
Percy Francois III
Caldonia Gaddis*
Michelle Gauchet
Janique Gray
Kobi Green
Eleanor Halm-Simmons
Lainey Harlow✧
Charles Harold
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Avery Huetter*
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Alexandra Maag
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Sharon Mock✧
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Ariel Steele◇
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Mervin Wilson*
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Abigail Breaux
Ayleen Cabrera
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Jillian Gutierrez
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Jimmy Hallock✧
Benjamin Hammock
Matthew Heaton□
Dana Heck
Jabari Henry◇
Alexa Hernandez
Adrianna Holivay
Shania Hollins
Ireion Howard
Max Hu
Caegan Jackson
Jenaro James
Jacques Janvier
Sarah Jeansonne◇
Bailey Johns
Kathryn Jones
Aicha Kased
Kennen Kelly◇
Dillon Langford
Catherine Lopez
Dong Luu
Phuong Luu□
Megan Mai
Vernell Mangum
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Lawrence Melito
Satyabhama Modak*
Aubrey Mohr
Louai Nassar
Bryce Newman✧
Danielle Newsome
Jordan Nguyen
Justin Nguyen✧
Kayla Nguyen
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Kevin Nguyen
Thanh Nguyen
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Connor Nolan
Dennis Nunez□
Luis Ortez
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Marcelo Otero
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Pablo Pavon
Roy Perez Jr✧
Alexis Pertuit□
Camryn Pourciau
Ashli Prosperie
Jessica Pujol
Jessica Ramirez*
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Blaine Savoie
Thomas Schwenn*
Jamal Seder
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Brittany Muth
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Jrae Nunnery*
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Malik Potier
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The Alma Mater

UNO, Our Alma Mater
Proud we stand to sing your fame
UNO
We honor your dear name.
Mem'ries will linger on
When our years with you have gone
And keep us true
to the Silver and Blue.

Lyrics by Deborah H. Crosby | Music from
The Overture to the Consecration of the
House by Ludwig van Beethoven

◇Summa Cum Laude ◇Magna Cum Laude □Cum Laude *Summer Graduate

Awarding degrees at the University of New Orleans and most other American universities follows a practice that can be traced back to the University of Paris during the early part of the 11th century. The Bishop of Paris, like every other bishop at the time, was responsible for local educational curricula and degree granting. His authority in these matters, however, was challenged by the teachers. They asserted that only they could be the proper judges of the qualifications of their students. This threatened impasse was resolved by a compromise under which the teachers, or masters, judged the merits of the students and then recommended them to the Bishop for degrees. A secularized version of that arrangement is represented in today's ceremony, during which college deans are certifying that the student candidates are qualified to receive their degrees.

Academic Regalia

The caps and gowns worn by graduates and faculty are based on costumes used in universities of the 14th and 15th centuries, particularly at Oxford and Cambridge in England. This academic dress has been used in the United States from colonial times and was standardized by an Intercollegiate Code in 1895. Like the military of medieval times with its pages, squires and knights, the academic world has long had three basic grades of dignity and achievement. These are bachelors, masters and doctoral. The distinction between masters and doctors is comparatively recent; both imply the right to teach.

Black is the most common color for academic gowns, though UNO's gowns are customized UNO blue. There is no trimming on the gowns for the bachelor's or master's degrees. For the doctoral degree, the gown is faced down the front with black or colored velvet and with three bars of the same across the sleeves. The color in the master's costume is restricted to the hood worn around the neck and down the back. This hood is lined with silk of a color which indicates the subject area of the degree received. Thus the master's hood from The University of New Orleans is customized UNO blue, lined in silver with a blue chevron and edged in white velvet for Arts, Letters, and Humanities, copper for Accounting, drab for Business, light blue for Education, orange for Engineering, brown for Fine Arts and Urban and Regional Planning, sage green for Health and Physical Education, pink for Music, dark blue for Philosophy, peacock blue for Public Administration, and golden yellow for Sciences.

Doctors have a larger and more open hood, which is lined with the colors of the degree-granting institution and trimmed with the color of the degree (Doctor of Philosophy) received. As noted above, gowns have black or colored velvet on the sleeves and the front. Usually doctors will wear a gold tassel on their cap. In recent years, some universities have broken away from the traditional scheme and allowed their doctors to wear brighter, more original costumes. For instance, Yale's blue with black trim and Harvard's crimson and black.

Hoods are not worn by candidates for bachelor's degrees at UNO, but their academic discipline is denoted by the color of their mortarboard tassels. Candidates expected to graduate with honors wear a UNO blue and silver cord.

Accounting – Drab
Anthropology – White
Arts Administration – White
Biological Sciences – Golden Yellow
Business Administration – Drab
Chemistry – Golden Yellow
Civil Engineering – Orange
Computer Science – Golden Yellow
Counselor Education – Light Blue
Creative Writing – White
Curriculum & Instruction – Light Blue
Earth and Environmental Sciences – Golden Yellow
Education – Light Blue
Educational Administration – Light Blue
Electrical Engineering – Orange
Elementary Education – Light Blue
Engineering – Orange
Engineering and Applied Sciences – Golden Yellow or Orange
Engineering Management – Orange
Engineering Science – Orange
English – White
Film and Theatre Arts – Brown
Finance – Drab
Financial Economics – Copper
Fine Arts – Brown
Health Care Management – Drab
Higher Education Administration – Light Blue
History – White
Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Administration – Drab
Hospitality and Tourism Management – Drab
Human Performance & Health Promotion – Sage Green
Interdisciplinary Studies – White
International Studies – White
Management – Drab
Marketing – Drab
Mathematics – Golden Yellow
Mechanical Engineering – Orange
Music – Pink
Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering – Orange
Philosophy – Dark Blue
Physics and Applied Physics – Golden Yellow
Political Science – White
Psychology – Golden Yellow
Public Administration – Peacock Blue
Romance Languages – White
Secondary Education – Light Blue
Sociology – White
Special Education – Light Blue
Tax Accounting – Drab
Transportation – Blue-Violet
Urban and Regional Planning – Blue-Violet
Urban Studies – Blue-Violet

Academic Ceremonies

Many factors — such as the nature of the institution, the size of the graduating class, the weather, and the place of ceremony (indoors or outdoors) — affect the details of academic ceremonies. Institutions have wide latitude in meeting these conditions, and consequently there is considerable variation in customs. At UNO, the commencement procession is composed of representatives of the faculty and a platform party, which is seated on the stage. The platform party consists of university administration officials, representatives of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the commencement speaker, and distinguished guests.

Degrees are announced in descending order, with doctorates first and bachelor's degrees last.

The University of New Orleans, then LSUNO, conferred its first bachelor's degrees to 65 candidates at the Spring Commencement of 1962. Its first master's degrees were awarded to six graduate students in 1965 and the first doctoral degree in 1967.

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University Mace

The University of New Orleans Mace is borne before the Platform Party as a symbol of authority in the Procession and Recession.

The Mace was first presented on September 6, 1988, at the Academic Convocation commemorating the 30th anniversary of the University's opening. Commissioned in January 1988, the Mace was conceptualized by Professor Howard Jones, Chairman of the Department of Fine Arts, and refined and executed by Mr. Doug MacCash, a graduate assistant working under the supervision of Professor Jones.

Subtle features of the artifact symbolize the composition, mission, and vitality of the University. Emblematic of authority, the Mace features engravings of the name and year of appointment of each of the University's leaders.

The President's Medallion

Traditionally, a University's chief executive officer possesses a badge of office that he or she wears at convocations, commencements or other ceremonial occasions. To honor that custom, the original Chancellor's Medallion was struck and presented on the occasion of the inauguration of Dr. Leon J.V. Richelle, UNO's second leader, in 1981. In commemoration of UNO's 50th Anniversary in 2008, the UNO Federal Credit Union presented to the University the gift of a new medallion to be worn by Chancellor Timothy P. Ryan and all successors to that office. With the transfer of UNO to the University of Louisiana System, the leader is the President.

The entire antiqued silver-plated four-inch medallion and chain feature the University of New Orleans seal encircled by fourteen one-and-one-half inch squares and seventeen banners. Twelve of the squares are engraved with UNO above a fleur-de-lis. Two squares are engraved with the 50th Anniversary emblem. Six of the banners are engraved with UNO's leaders' names and dates of service. The banner immediately above the medallion bears the word President. Variations of this medallion may be struck on special occasions to honor extraordinary and distinguished service to the University.

Alumni

The University of New Orleans Alumni Association provides fun and meaningful opportunities for graduates to stay connected to and engaged with UNO. With support from UNO's Office of Alumni Affairs, the Association hosts alumni events year-round, promotes the success of UNO students and builds awareness of UNO's importance to our community and region.

In addition to discounts on insurance products, car rentals, UNO bookstore purchases, library and fitness center privileges, the benefits of membership also include opportunities for professional networking and leadership development, a business directory for UNO-run businesses and more.

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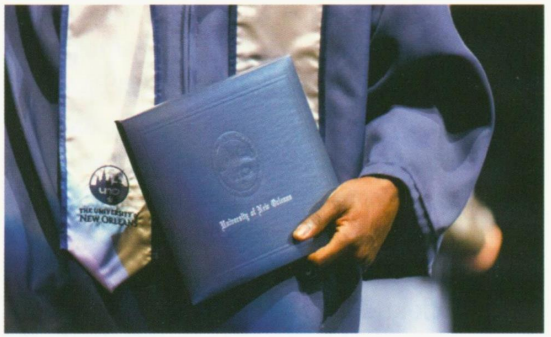

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The list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported; thus, the listing of a name in this program should not be construed as documentation that the person listed will, in fact, receive a degree from the University of New Orleans. Conversely, some students who are not listed may be awarded degrees.

The same applies to the listing of students graduating with honors.